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# **Section 1. Registration Information**

#### Source Identification

Facility Name: VISTA METALS CORP.
Parent Company #1 Name: ALPERT AND ALPERT

Parent Company #2 Name:

## Submission and Acceptance

Submission Type: First-time submission

Subsequent RMP Submission Reason:

Description:

Receipt Date: 24-Jun-1999
Postmark Date: 21-Jun-1999
Next Due Date: 21-Jun-2004
Completeness Check Date: 22-Jul-1999
Complete RMP: Yes
De-Registration / Closed Reason: 01

De-Registration / Closed Reason Other Text:

De-Registered / Closed Date: 02-Jul-2009
De-Registered / Closed Effective Date: 24-Jul-2008
Certification Received: Yes

#### **Facility Identification**

EPA Facility Identifier: 1000 0014 5283
Other EPA Systems Facility ID: 92335VSTMT13425

### **Dun and Bradstreet Numbers (DUNS)**

Facility DUNS:

Parent Company #1 DUNS: Parent Company #2 DUNS:

## **Facility Location Address**

Street 1: 13425 WHITTRAM AVE.

Street 2:

City: FONTANA
State: CALIFORNIA
ZIP: 92335

ZIP4:

County: SAN BERNARDINO

#### Facility Latitude and Longitude

Latitude (decimal): 34.094639
Longitude (decimal): -117.512111

Lat/Long Method: Interpolation - Digital map source (TIGER)

Lat/Long Description: Center of Facility

Horizontal Accuracy Measure: Horizontal Reference Datum Name:

Source Map Scale Number:

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Owner or Operator

Operator Name:

(909) 823-4278

VISTA METALS CORP.

Operator Phone:

Mailing Address

Operator Street 1: 13425 WHITTRAM AVE.

Operator Street 2:

Operator City: FONTANA
Operator State: CALIFORNIA
Operator ZIP: 92335

Operator ZIP4:

Operator Foreign State or Province:

Operator Foreign ZIP:
Operator Foreign Country:

Name and title of person or position responsible for Part 68 (RMP) Implementation

RMP Name of Person: ROBERT PRAEFKE RMP Title of Person or Position: VP OF OPERATIONS

RMP E-mail Address:

**Emergency Contact** 

Emergency Contact Name:

Emergency Contact Title:

VP OF OPERATIONS

Emergency Contact Phone:

(909) 823-4278

Emergency Contact 24-Hour Phone:

(909) 309-8641

Emergency Contact Ext. or PIN: Emergency Contact E-mail Address:

Other Points of Contact

Facility or Parent Company E-mail Address:

Facility Public Contact Phone:

Facility or Parent Company WWW Homepage

Address:

info@vistametals.com

150

**Local Emergency Planning Committee** 

LEPC: Region VI LEPC

Full Time Equivalent Employees

Number of Full Time Employees (FTE) on Site:

FTE Claimed as CBI:

Covered By

 OSHA PSM :
 Yes

 EPCRA 302 :
 Yes

 CAA Title V:
 Yes

 Air Operating Permit ID:
 014495

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## **OSHA** Ranking

OSHA Star or Merit Ranking:

## Last Safety Inspection

Last Safety Inspection (By an External Agency)

Date:

Last Safety Inspection Performed By an External

Agency:

04-May-1999

State environmental agency

## **Predictive Filing**

Did this RMP involve predictive filing?:

## **Preparer Information**

Preparer Name:

Preparer Phone:

Preparer Street 1:

Preparer Street 2:

Preparer City:

Preparer State:

Preparer ZIP:

Preparer ZIP4:

Preparer Foreign State:

Preparer Foreign Country:

Preparer Foreign ZIP:

### Confidential Business Information (CBI)

**CBI Claimed:** 

Substantiation Provided:

Unsanitized RMP Provided:

#### Reportable Accidents

Reportable Accidents:

See Section 6. Accident History below to determine if there were any accidents reported for this RMP.

#### **Process Chemicals**

Process ID:

18860

Description:

Process Chemical ID:

23732

Program Level:

Program Level 3 process

Chemical Name: Chlorine
CAS Number: 7782-50-5
Quantity (lbs): 55000

CBI Claimed:

Flammable/Toxic:

Toxic

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## **Process NAICS**

Process ID: 18860
Process NAICS ID: 19349

Program Level: Program Level 3 process

NAICS Code: 331314

NAICS Description: Secondary Smelting and Alloying of Aluminum

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## **Section 2. Toxics: Worst Case**

Toxic Worst ID: 12778

Percent Weight:

Physical State: Gas liquified by pressure Model Used: EPA's RMP\*Comp(TM)

Release Duration (mins): 10
Wind Speed (m/sec): 1.5
Atmospheric Stability Class: F
Topography: Urban

#### **Passive Mitigation Considered**

Dikes: Enclosures: Berms: Drains: Sumps:

Other Type:

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## **Section 3. Toxics: Alternative Release**

Toxic Alter ID: 14704

Percent Weight:

Physical State: Gas liquified by pressure Model Used: EPA's RMP\*Comp(TM)

Wind Speed (m/sec): 3.0
Atmospheric Stability Class: D
Topography: Urban

#### Passive Mitigation Considered

Dikes:
Enclosures:
Berms:
Drains:
Sumps:
Other Type:

#### **Active Mitigation Considered**

Sprinkler System:
Deluge System:
Water Curtain:
Neutralization:
Excess Flow Valve:

Flares: Scrubbers:

Emergency Shutdown:

Other Type:

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# **Section 4. Flammables: Worst Case**

Plan Sequence Number: 13822

# **Section 5. Flammables: Alternative Release**

Plan Sequence Number: 13822

# **Section 6. Accident History**

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# Section 7. Program Level 3

## Description

No description available.

### Program Level 3 Prevention Program Chemicals

14112 Prevention Program Chemical ID: Chemical Name: Chlorine Flammable/Toxic: Toxic CAS Number: 7782-50-5

Process ID: 18860

Description:

Prevention Program Level 3 ID: 10045 NAICS Code: 331314

#### Safety Information

Safety Review Date (The date on which the safety information was last reviewed or revised):

03-Jun-1999

## Process Hazard Analysis (PHA)

PHA Completion Date (Date of last PHA or PHA update):

18-Mar-1999

### The Technique Used

What If:

Checklist:

What If/Checklist:

HAZOP: Yes

Failure Mode and Effects Analysis:

Fault Tree Analysis: Other Technique Used:

PHA Change Completion Date (The expected or actual date of completion of all changes resulting from last PHA or PHA update):

31-Dec-1999

#### Major Hazards Identified

Toxic Release: Yes Fire: Yes

Explosion:

Runaway Reaction:

Polymerization:

Overpressurization: Yes Yes Corrosion: Overfilling: Yes Contamination: Yes **Equipment Failure:** Yes

Loss of Cooling, Heating, Electricity, Instrument Air:

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Farthquake:	Ves	

Yes

Floods (Flood Plain):

Tornado: Hurricanes:

Other Major Hazard Identified:

## Process Controls in Use

Vents:

Relief Valves: Yes

Check Valves: Scrubbers: Flares:

Manual Shutoffs: Yes
Automatic Shutoffs: Yes

Interlocks:

Alarms and Procedures: Yes

Keyed Bypass:

Emergency Air Supply: Yes

Emergency Power: Backup Pump: Grounding Equipment: Inhibitor Addition:

Rupture Disks: Yes Excess Flow Device: Yes

Quench System: Purge System:

None:

Other Process Control in Use:

## Mitigation Systems in Use

Sprinkler System:

Dikes: Fire Walls: Blast Walls: Deluge System:

Water Curtain: Enclosure:

Neutralization: None:

None.

Other Mitigation System in Use:

## Monitoring/Detection Systems in Use

Process Area Detectors: Yes

Perimeter Monitors:

None:

Other Monitoring/Detection System in Use:

## Changes Since Last PHA Update

Reduction in Chemical Inventory:

Increase in Chemical Inventory:

Change Process Parameters: Yes

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Installation of Process Controls:

Yes Installation of Process Detection Systems: Yes

Installation of Perimeter Monitoring Systems:

Installation of Mitigation Systems:

None Recommended:

None:

Other Changes Since Last PHA or PHA Update:

## **Review of Operating Procedures**

Operating Procedures Revision Date (The date of the most recent review or revision of operating procedures):

03-Jun-1999

#### **Training**

Training Revision Date (The date of the most recent 03-Jun-1999 review or revision of training programs):

#### The Type of Training Provided

Classroom: Yes On the Job: Yes

Other Training:

## The Type of Competency Testing Used

Written Tests: Yes

**Oral Tests:** 

Demonstration: Yes Observation: Yes

Other Type of Competency Testing Used:

#### Maintenance

Maintenance Procedures Revision Date (The date of 03-Jun-1999 the most recent review or revision of maintenance procedures):

Equipment Inspection Date (The date of the most recent equipment inspection or test):

Equipment Tested (Equipment most recently inspected or tested):

STORAGE VESSEL

03-Jun-1999

#### Management of Change

Change Management Date (The date of the most 31-Mar-1999 recent change that triggered management of change procedures):

31-Mar-1999 Change Management Revision Date (The date of the most recent review or revision of management of change procedures):

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## **Pre-Startup Review**

Pre-Startup Review Date (The date of the most recent pre-startup review):

28-May-1999

## **Compliance Audits**

Compliance Audit Date (The date of the most recent 30-Apr-1999 compliance audit):

Compliance Audit Change Completion Date (Expected or actual date of completion of all changes resulting from the compliance audit):

31-Dec-1999

### **Incident Investigation**

Incident Investigation Date (The date of the most recent incident investigation (if any)):

Incident Investigation Change Date (The expected or actual date of completion of all changes resulting from the investigation):

## **Employee Participation Plans**

Participation Plan Revision Date (The date of the most recent review or revision of employee participation plans):

03-Jun-1999

#### Hot Work Permit Procedures

Hot Work permit Review Date (The date of the most 03-Jun-1999 recent review or revision of hot work permit procedures):

### **Contractor Safety Procedures**

Contractor Safety Procedures Review Date (The date of the most recent review or revision of contractor safety procedures):

03-Jun-1999

Contractor Safety Performance Evaluation Date (The date of the most recent review or revision of contractor safety performance):

#### **Confidential Business Information**

CBI Claimed:

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# **Section 8. Program Level 2**

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# Section 9. Emergency Response

## Written Emergency Response (ER) Plan

Community Plan (Is facility included in written community emergency response plan?):

Yes

Facility Plan (Does facility have its own written emergency response plan?):

Yes

Response Actions (Does ER plan include specific actions to be taken in response to accidental releases of regulated substance(s)?):

Yes

Public Information (Does ER plan include procedures for informing the public and local agencies responding to accidental release?): Yes

Healthcare (Does facility's ER plan include information on emergency health care?):

Yes

#### **Emergency Response Review**

Review Date (Date of most recent review or update 10-Mar-1999 of facility's ER plan):

#### **Emergency Response Training**

Training Date (Date of most recent review or update 09-Apr-1999 of facility's employees):

#### Local Agency

Agency Name (Name of local agency with which the SAN BERNARDINO facility ER plan or response activities are coordinated):

Agency Phone Number (Phone number of local agency with which the facility ER plan or response activities are coordinated):

(909) 387-3044

## Subject to

OSHA Regulations at 29 CFR 1910.38: Yes OSHA Regulations at 29 CFR 1910.120: Yes

Clean Water Regulations at 40 CFR 112:

RCRA Regulations at CFR 264, 265, and 279.52: OPA 90 Regulations at 40 CFR 112, 33 CFR 154,

49 CFR 194, or 30 CFR 254:

State EPCRA Rules or Laws:

Other (Specify):

Yes

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# **Executive Summary**

Facility Name: VISTA METALS CORP.

a. Vista Metals Corp. is committed to the safety and well-being of its employees and the public. Vista's policy is to implement reasonable measures to prevent a release of hazardous material from occurring, to provide early detection of a release in the unlikely event that one would occur, and to have in place a contingency plan to respond promptly yet safely to such a release.

- b. The RMP has been prepared to address the receipt, handling and use of chlorine in an upgraded chlorine system at the Vista facility at 13425 Whittram, Ave., Fontana, CA 92335. Chlorine is used to remove magnesium from molten aluminum as part of aluminum resmelting operations.
- c. The worst case release which was modeled was the release of the entire contents of a bulk storage vessel over a period of ten minutes. The alternate release scenario was the continuous release of chlorine from a piping leak. Both scenarios have offsite impacts. No credit for measures to prevent and/or mitigate such a release were taken.
- d. Vista has a comprehensive release prevention program meeting RMP Prevention Program and OSHA Process Safety Management (PSM) requirements. Physical safeguards to prevent a release of chlorine including best industry practices for the design and construction of the chlorine storage vessel, equipment, piping and instrumentation, the use of expansion bottles and/or rupture disks and pressure switches to safeguard against hydrostatic overpressure of equipment and piping, and various procedural safeguards.
- e. There have been no accidents involving chlorine within the five (5) years prior to submission of this RMP
- f. Vista has a chlorine detection and alarm system which includes audible and visible warning and danger alarms to alert onsite personnel. In the case of a warning condition the Shift Supervisor and a trained, designated "buddy" will equip themselves with SCBA and evaluate the situation. If it is determined that the situation is one that can be safely rectified by response other than emergency response under Cal-OSHA Regulations Title 8, Section 5192, Hazardous Waste Operations and Emergency Response, they will take appropriate action. Otherwise the San Bernardino County Fire Department (SBCFD) will be summoned, neighbors will be notified and the facility will be promptly and safely evacuated.
- g. Vista undertook a comprehensive Process Hazard Analysis (PHA) as part of replacement of the bulk chlorine system in March 1999. The following changes to improve safety were made:-
- Installation of a chlorine detection system
- Installation of process safety and alarm devices
- Installation of an air motor system to shut the angle valve on the bulk tank automatically in an emergency.

Outfitting of each chlorine delivery tank trailer with an emergency shutdown system comparable to that installed on the fixed storage vessel is planned by the chlorine supplier.